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the river of Elotham ran this year 1724 & has not run of 6 years before, or more. at Barton it was up to a horses belly or more. it was the wonder of the country people ^{as far as} near to see it. Mother Bromtons put the spring head is said to run & boil against dear years. the Nailburn is the spring head of this river & arises at Eadling hill. at Wignam meadows is a deep pit where all the water drops in in ordinary years. Springs below. Tolpston & Iltle do set into the sands all along. is very agreeable all along the sea coasts. the sea poppy is a fine variety in nature throwing all the seed into a long pod in head of the head. all the country seaward under the chalk hills is sand stone & rock good land in the valleys. a good well in Deal castle the close by the sea near the Rochester river toward the sea they dug a deep well several fathoms then bored several more at East water burst out to the top. this is near the R Thames so that the fund of springs lies in veins below. strata of rocks &c without any dependence on the ocean. I conceive these veins run like the inverted syphon from one hill top to another & thence the fountains & when one of these suddenly breaks it causes a ~~fast~~ deluge like that in Yorkshire a little while since & near Madrid the first one there a village the other a country seat & drowned some of the primitive nobility. the variety of mists of the air of their shapes, extents, ducts &c cause the variety of springs the source of all I imagine the vapors exhaled from the sea & rains.

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four round holes in the wall that run
quite thro' four of the round towers and
scarce joined to the wall but run quite
thro' it four of the ro. brick here remar-
kably thin

